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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20 June 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13, 15-24, 30-34 and 36 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 14, 25-29, 35 and 37-41 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13, 15-24, 30-34 and 36 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 16 March 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- 1) ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - 2) ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - 3) ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

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1. Applicant's election the species of Fig. 7, claims 1, 2, 4, 6-31 and 33-41 without traverse is acknowledged. Thus, claims 3, 5, 32 are withdrawn from further consideration on the merits as non-elected claims.

However, after carefully reviewing the claims, the examiner notes that claims 14, 25-29, 35 and 37-41 recite a digital camera that includes a display and display adjustment circuit as shown in Fig. 8A and 8B (it should be noted that camera 110 as shown in Fig. 7 is a film camera). Therefore, claims 14, 25-29, 35 and 37-41 are also withdrawn from further consideration on the merits as non-elected claims.

2. Claims 30 and 31 are objected to because of the following informalities:

In claim 30, the phrase "the identification", line 9 is not clear, it should be changed to "second identification".

Appropriate correction is required.

In claim 31, the phrase "second", line 13 should be changed to "second".

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

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4. Claims 1-13, 15-24, 30, 31-34, 36 are allowed.

The prior art of record fails to suggest or disclose:

With regard to claim 1, an image photographing/reproducing system, comprising; information recording unit for recording at least one of photographed frame information or photographed time information of the photographed image and first identification information of said image recording medium, and second identification information of the communication point, at least one of the photographed frame information, the photographed time information, the first identification information and the second identification information being transmitted and received between said first communication unit and said second communication unit when the image is photographed and an image reproducing apparatus, including: information acquiring unit for acquiring at least one of the photographed frame information or the photographed time information of the photographed image and the first identification information and the second identification information from said information recording unit; data acquiring unit for determining a photographed place of the photographed image of the photographed frame based on the second identification information and acquiring at least one of predetermined image data, document data audio data and program data corresponding to the photographed place as

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composite data.

With regard to claim 30, an image photographing/reproducing method, comprising the steps of: on a side of a photographing apparatus, photographing an image using a photographing lens in a predetermined region and recording a photographed image in an image recording medium recording, when the image is photographed at least one of photographed frame information or photographed time information of the photographed image and first identification information of said image recording medium, and the identification information of the communication point which are obtained by communicating between said photographing apparatus and a communication point installed in the predetermined region; when the photographed image is reproduced information on a side of an image reproducing apparatus; acquiring at least one of the photographed frame or the photographed time information of the photographed image and the first identification information, and the second identification information; determining a photographed place of the photographed image of the photographed frame based on the second identification information and acquiring at least one of predetermined image data, document data, audio data and program data corresponding to the photographed place as composite data.

With regard to claim 31, a photographing apparatus for

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photographing an predetermined region, image using a photographing lens comprising: an image recording medium image; first communication unit capable of transmitting and receiving information to and from second communication unit at for recording a photographed a communication point installed in the predetermined region; and information recording unit for recording, when the image is photographed, photographed frame information or photographed time information of the photographed image and second identification information of the communication point received by said first communication unit from said second communication unit at the communication point, wherein the photographed frame information or the photographed time information and the second identification information are utilized when the photographed image reproduced.

With regard to claim 36, an image reproducing apparatus, comprising photographed image acquiring unit; information acquiring unit for acquiring, when the image is photographed, photographed frame information or photographed time information of the photographing apparatus and second identification information of a communication point installed in the predetermined region that is received from second communication unit at the communication point; data acquiring unit for determining, when the photographed image is reproduced, a

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photographed place of the photographed image of the photographed frame based on the photographed frame information and/or the photographed time information and the second identification and acquiring at least one of predetermined image data, document data, audio data and program data corresponding to the photographed place as composite data; image reproducing unit for reproducing the photographed image acquired by said photographed image acquiring unit and recorded in said image recording medium as a reproduced image.

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Wash discloses a film-to-video printer that includes camera tracks.

Taniguchi et al discloses a camera system that can reproduced a negative film with a storage medium.

Wess et al discloses a system of scanning photo sensitive film.

Tamura et al discloses an electronic camera that can provide printing information.

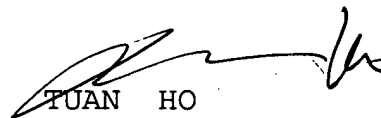
6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to TUAN HO

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whose telephone number is (571) 272-7365. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri from 7AM to 4PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's acting supervisor, David Ometz can be reached on (571) 272-7593. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (572) 273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Customer Service whose telephone number is (571) 272-2600.



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Primary Examiner

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